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14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
15 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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17 JONATHAN FINESTONE

18 Plaintiff,

19 v.

20 UTILITY TELECOM GROUP, LLC,
UTILITY TELEPHONE, INC., JASON
21 MILLS, and DOES 1-10,

22 Defendants.
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Case No. 2:20-cv-00230-TLN-KHN

**ORDER GRANTING
STIPULATION FOR REVISED
SCHEDULING ORDER**

Pursuant to Local Rules 143 and 144, Plaintiff JONATHAN FINESTONE (“Plaintiff”) and Defendants UTILITY TELECOM GROUP, LLC, UTILITY TELEPHONE, INC., and JASON MILLS (collectively “Defendants”) by and through their respective counsel of record, stipulate and agree as follows:

RECITALS

1. Plaintiff filed this action on January 30, 2020, and Defendants filed an Answer on April 7, 2020. The Parties exchanged initial disclosures pursuant to the requirements of Rule 26(a) on May 14, 2020. The Parties have since been engaged in written, oral, and document discovery.

2. On May 24, 2021, the Parties stipulated to continue the discovery and law and motion deadlines to allow the Parties to participate in a mediation (ECF No. 16). The Court entered the stipulation and issued an Amended Scheduling Order (ECF No. 18) on May 25, 2021.

3. After the initial continuance, the parties entered into a stipulation to continue the governing deadlines by approximately thirty (30) days (ECF No. 19), which the Court entered on July 12, 2021 (ECF No. 20). To accommodate mediation, the Parties again stipulated to continue the discovery and law and motion deadlines to schedule a mediation (ECF No. 21). The Court issued an Amended Scheduling Order (ECF No. 22) on August 26, 2021. In August 2021, the parties participated in mediation. The Court issued six additional Amended Scheduling Orders, to allow the parties to meditate and to continue their ongoing settlement discussions. (ECF Nos. 25, 27, 31, 37, 72, and 74.)

4. The parties are currently engaged in settlement discussions and believe that use of an outside facilitator would be useful. The parties have not determined the type of facilitation, but expect to reach agreement by early August and to schedule at least one in-person settlement meeting thereafter. The parties wish to continue the entire case schedule to allow for time to continue their efforts to pursue settlement.

5. Therefore, the Parties stipulate to an extension of all deadlines in the current Scheduling Order, including law and motion deadlines and discovery.

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STIPULATION TO REVISED SCHEDULE

Based on the foregoing recitals, the Parties STIPULATE AND AGREE to the following modified case schedule that has been agreed upon, and request that the Court enter the attached Amended Scheduling Order reflecting this agreed-upon schedule:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
UTG production of documents requested in deposition notices and/or subpoenas issued on December 16, 2022, to Kelly Stewart, Michael Quedens, William Wilde and Jason Mills.	September 15, 2023
Jonathan Finestone production of documents requested in deposition notice issued on December 20, 2023 to Jonathan Finestone.	September 22, 2023
Deposition of Jonathan Finestone	Between October 23-27
Deposition of William Wilde	Between November 1-17, 2023
Deposition of Kelly Stewart	Between November 1-17, 2023
Deposition of Michael Quedens	Between November 1-17, 2023
Deposition of Jason Mills	Between November 1-17, 2023
Fact Discovery Cut-Off	December 2, 2023
Initial Expert Disclosures Due	December 9, 2023
Supplemental Expert Disclosures Due	December 16, 2023
Expert Discovery Cut-Off	December 30, 2023
Law and Motion Cut-Off, Including Any Dispositive Motions	January 30, 2024, filing deadline, with any dispositive motions to be heard by March 17, 2024.

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1 SO STIPULATED.

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3 DATED: July 17, 2023

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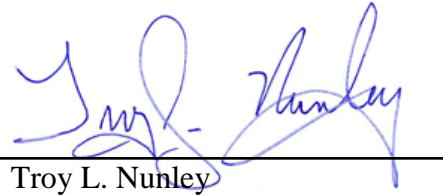
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13 **IT IS SO ORDERED:**

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15 DATED: July 18, 2023

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18 United States District Judge
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